



Dear *The Children of Key Workers
at Fernhurst Primary School*

We are writing to you on behalf of those who care for you at school and everyone who works and lives in West Sussex, to say a big thank you.

We want to let you know how grateful we are to your mum, dad or those who care for you at home, for the work they are doing to protect and help people in West Sussex. They are working harder than ever right now to keep everyone safe, as we are sure you can see. Whatever job they are doing, be it teaching or working in the police, in our hospitals or supporting those people who need extra help, please help us let them know that the jobs they are doing are really important.

We know that this is a big change for you. Having to go to school when many of your friends are at home must be hard, and not being able to do the things that you would normally do at this time of year will be disappointing. We also know that when your mum, dad or carer is working at home, there will be times when you have to be extra quiet and patient if they are on the phone or working at the computer. You can help by staying patient when they have to make calls, by washing your hands properly, by doing your schoolwork, and by helping them as much as you can. Although these might seem little things, they do help and make it possible for your grown-ups to be doing what they have to do to help keep people safe.

Please let your mum, dad or carer know that what they are doing at the moment is really special. Be proud of them and be proud of what they are doing. We are proud of you and how you are helping them.

When you clap on Thursday night to say thank you to all those who are helping in our hospitals, our care homes, our schools and all the other jobs that are essential to help keep us all safe, remember that you are clapping for them too. We will also be clapping for you too, for the support you are giving.

Thank you again, we couldn't really do this without you.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Marshall, Leader

Becky Shaw, Chief Executive

**Lucy Butler, Executive Director of
Children, Young People and
Learning**